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# Advisory Action

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Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --THE REPLY FILED 22 February 2007 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. 1. 🔯 The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or on the same day as filing a Notice of Appeal. To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods: The period for reply expires \_\_\_\_\_months from the mailing date of the final rejection. b) 🔯 The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection. Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (b). ONLY CHECK BOX (b) WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f). Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b). **NOTICE OF APPEAL** 2. The Notice of Appeal was filed on . A brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.37(a). **AMENDMENTS** 3. The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because (a) They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below): (b) They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below): (c) They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal: and/or (d) They present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims. NOTE: see continuation sheet. (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)). 4. The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. See attached Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (PTOL-324). 5. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): \_ 6. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s). 7. For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) 🖾 will not be entered, or b) 🗌 will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended. The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows: Claim(s) allowed: none. Claim(s) objected to: none. Claim(s) rejected: 1-10. Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: none. AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE 8. The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but before or on the date of filing a Notice of Appeal will not be entered because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the affidavit or other evidence is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e). 9. The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to overcome all rejections under appeal and/or appellant fails to provide a showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1). 10. The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached. REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER 11. M The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: see continuation sheet. 12. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s). (PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s). 13. Other: .

#### **Continuation Sheet**

Continuation of 3. Note: Newly Amended claims 1, 8 and 9 raise(s) new issues requiring a novel search and further consideration because it now recites numerous new limitations.

Continuation of 11. because: Applicant's arguments are drawn to a proposed claim amendment which is not being entered; thus, the arguments are not commensurate in scope with the claims.

### Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)

1. The amendment document filed on February 22 2007s considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121, as amended on June 30, 2003 (see 68 Fed. Reg. 38611, June 30, 2003).

The amendment document is non-compliant because claim 8 includes amendments that are not listed with markings. Specifically, "and wherein the product to be dispensed is a cosmetic", in the later two lines of the claim, is added matter that has not be indicated with underlining.

- 2. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required. Only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment document must be resubmitted (in its entirety), e.g., the entire "Amendments to the claims" section of applicant's amendment document must be re-submitted. 37 CFR 1.121(h)
- 3. Since the amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to be a reply (37 CFR 1.135(c)), applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE MONTH from the mailing of this notice within

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which to re-submit the corrected section which complies with 37 CFR 1.121 in order to avoid abandonment. Extensions of this time period are available under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

#### Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alicia Chevalier whose telephone number is (571) 272-1490. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Harold Pyon, can be reached on (571) 272-1498. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see http://pair-direct.uspto.gov. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

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The amendment document filed on <u>22 February 2007</u> is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required.

THE FOLLOWING MARKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT  1. Amendments to the specification:  A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings.  B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined.  C. Other	DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT:
<ul> <li>2. Abstract:</li> <li>A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37 CFR 1.72.</li> <li>B. Other</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>3. Amendments to the drawings:</li> <li>A. The drawings are not properly identified in the top ma "Annotated Sheet" as required by 37 CFR 1.121(d).</li> <li>B. The practice of submitting proposed drawing corrections showing amended figures, without markings, in comp</li> <li>C. Other</li> </ul>	on has been eliminated. Replacement drawings
<ul> <li>✓ 4. Amendments to the claims:</li> <li>☐ A. A complete listing of all of the claims is not present.</li> <li>☐ B. The listing of claims does not include the text of all personal of each claim has not been provided with the proper state of each claim cannot be identified. Note: the status number by using one of the following status identifier (Previously presented), (New), (Not entered), (Withday D. The claims of this amendment paper have not been presented).</li> <li>☑ D. The claims of this amendment paper have not been presented.</li> </ul>	atus identifier, and as such, the individual status of every claim must be indicated after its claim s: (Original), (Currently amended), (Canceled), rawn) and (Withdrawn-currently amended).

For further explanation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPEP § 714 and the USPTO website at <a href="http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/dapp/opla/preognotice/officeflyer.pdf">http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/dapp/opla/preognotice/officeflyer.pdf</a>.

#### TIME PERIODS FOR FILING A REPLY TO THIS NOTICE:

- 1. Applicant is given **no new time period** if the non-compliant amendment is an after-final amendment or an amendment filed after allowance. If applicant wishes to resubmit the non-compliant after-final amendment with corrections, the **entire corrected amendment** must be resubmitted within the time period set forth in the final Office action.
- 2. Applicant is given **one month**, or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the mail date of this notice to supply the **corrected section** of the non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121, if the non-compliant amendment is one of the following: a preliminary amendment, a non-final amendment (including a submission for a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114), a supplemental amendment filed within a suspension period under 37 CFR 1.103(a) or (c), and an amendment filed in response to a *Quayle* action.

<u>Extensions of time</u> are available under 37 CFR 1.136(a) <u>only</u> if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendment filed in response to a *Quayle* action.

#### Failure to timely respond to this notice will result in:

**Abandonment** of the application if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendment filed in response to a *Quayle* action; or

**Non-entry** of the amendment if the non-compliant amendment is a preliminary amendment or supplemental amendment.